

The maximum likelihood estimates are:

$$\tilde{\beta}_2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}, \quad \tilde{\beta}_1 = \bar{y} - \tilde{\beta}_2 \bar{x}, \quad \tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \tilde{\beta}_1 - \tilde{\beta}_2 x_i)^2.$$

The MLE of σ^2 is divided by n , not $n - 2$.

9.2 MLE: The Case of Multiple Regression Model I

1. Multivariate Normal Distribution: $X : n \times 1$ and $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$

The density function of X is:

$$f(x) = (2\pi)^{n/2} |\Sigma|^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)' \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)\right).$$

2. Regression model: $y = X\beta + u, \quad u \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_n)$

Transformation of Variables from u to y :

$$f_u(u) = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}u'u\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_y(y) &= f_u(y - X\beta) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y'} \right| \\ &= (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y - X\beta)'(y - X\beta)\right) \\ &= L(\theta; y, X), \end{aligned}$$

where $\theta = (\beta, \sigma^2)$, because of $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y'} = I_n$.

Therefore, the log-likelihood function is:

$$\log L(\theta; y, X) = -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y - X\beta)'(y - X\beta),$$

Note that $|\Sigma|^{-1/2} = |\sigma^2 I_n|^{-1/2} = \sigma^{-n/2}$.

$$3. \max_{\theta} \log L(\theta; y, X)$$

$$\text{(FOC)} \quad \frac{\partial \log L(\theta; y, X)}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

$$\text{(SOC)} \quad \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta; y, X)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'} \text{ is a negative definite matrix.}$$

We obtain MLE of β and σ^2 :

$$\tilde{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y, \quad \tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{(y - X\tilde{\beta})'(y - X\tilde{\beta})}{n},$$

where $\tilde{\sigma}^2$ is divided by n , not $n - k$.

4. Fisher's information matrix is:

$$I(\theta) = -E\left(\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta; y, X)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'}\right)$$

The inverse of the information matrix, $I(\theta)^{-1}$, provides a lower bound of the variance - covariance matrix for unbiased estimators of θ .

$$I(\theta)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2(X'X)^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\sigma^4}{n} \end{pmatrix}$$

For large n , we approximately obtain: $\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\beta} \\ \tilde{\sigma}^2 \end{pmatrix} \sim N\left(\begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2(X'X)^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\sigma^4}{n} \end{pmatrix}\right)$.

9.3 MLE: The Case of Multiple Regression Model II

1. Regression model: $y = X\beta + u$, $u \sim N(0, \sigma^2\Omega)$

Transformation of Variables from u to y :

$$f_u(u) = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-n/2} |\Omega|^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} u' \Omega^{-1} u\right)$$

$$f_y(y) = f_u(y - X\beta) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y'} \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-n/2} |\Omega|^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\beta)' \Omega^{-1} (y - X\beta)\right) \\
&= L(\theta; y, X),
\end{aligned}$$

where $\theta = (\beta, \sigma^2)$, because of $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y'} = I_n$.

The log-likelihood function is:

$$\log L(\theta; y, X) = -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Omega| - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\beta)' \Omega^{-1} (y - X\beta),$$

where $\theta = (\beta, \sigma^2)$.

$$2. \quad \max_{\theta} \log L(\theta; y, X)$$

$$\text{(FOC)} \quad \frac{\partial \log L(\theta; y, X)}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

$$\text{(SOC)} \quad \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta; y, X)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'}$$
 is a negative definite matrix.

Then, we obtain MLE of β and σ^2 :

$$\tilde{\beta} = (X'\Omega^{-1}X)^{-1}X'\Omega^{-1}y, \quad \tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{(y - X\tilde{\beta})'\Omega^{-1}(y - X\tilde{\beta})}{n}$$

3. Fisher's information matrix is defined as:

$$I(\theta) = -E\left(\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta; y, X)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'}\right)$$

The inverse of the information matrix, $I(\theta)^{-1}$, provides a lower bound of the variance - covariance matrix for unbiased estimators of θ , which is given by:

$$I(\theta)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2(X'\Omega^{-1}X)^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\sigma^4}{n} \end{pmatrix}$$

9.4 MLE: AR(1) Model

The p th-order Autoregressive Model, i.e., AR(p) Model (p 次の自己回帰モデル):

$$y_t = \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \phi_2 y_{t-2} + \cdots + \phi_p y_{t-p} + u_t$$

AR(1) Model: $t = 2, 3, \dots, n$,

$$y_t = \phi_1 y_{t-1} + u_t, \quad u_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

where $|\phi_1| < 1$ is assumed for now.

To obtain the joint density function of y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n , $f(y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1)$ is decomposed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
& f(y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1) \\
&= f(y_n | y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1) f(y_{n-1}, y_{n-2}, \dots, y_1) \\
&= f(y_n | y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1) f(y_{n-1} | y_{n-2}, \dots, y_1) f(y_{n-2}, y_{n-3}, \dots, y_1) \\
&\quad \dots \\
&= f(y_n | y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1) f(y_{n-1} | y_{n-2}, \dots, y_1) f(y_{n-2}, y_{n-3}, \dots, y_1) \cdots f(y_2 | y_1) f(y_1) \\
&= f(y_1) \prod_{t=2}^n f(y_t | y_{t-1}, \dots, y_1).
\end{aligned}$$

Note that Bayes theorem is applied and repeated.

That is, $P(A \cap B) = P(A|B)P(B)$ for two events A and B .

We say that the joint distribution (or the likelihood function) is represented in the **innovation form**.

From $y_t = \phi_1 y_{t-1} + u_t$, we can obtain:

$$E(y_t | y_{t-1}, \dots, y_1) = \phi_1 y_{t-1}, \quad \text{and} \quad V(y_t | y_{t-1}, \dots, y_1) = \sigma^2.$$

Therefore, the conditional distribution $f(y_t | y_{t-1}, \dots, y_1)$ is:

$$f(y_t | y_{t-1}, \dots, y_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y_t - \phi_1 y_{t-1})^2\right).$$

To obtain the unconditional distribution $f(y_t)$, y_t is rewritten as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}y_t &= \phi_1 y_{t-1} + u_t \\ &= \phi_1^2 y_{t-2} + u_t + \phi_1 u_{t-1} \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= \phi_1^\tau y_{t-\tau} + u_t + \phi_1 u_{t-1} + \cdots + \phi_1^{\tau-1} u_{t-\tau+1} \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= u_t + \phi_1 u_{t-1} + \phi_1^2 u_{t-2} + \cdots, \quad \text{when } \tau \text{ goes to infinity under the condition } |\phi_1| < 1.\end{aligned}$$